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(57) Abstract: A multiparticulate controlled release selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) formulation for oral administration comprises particles of said SSRI or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof coated with rate-controlling polymer which allows controlled release of said SSRI, over a period of not less than about 12 hours following oral administration. The formulation, which contains for example fluvoxamine or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, is suitable for once or twice daily administration. The formulation can comprise a blend of two or more populations of particles, pellets or mini-tablets having different in vitro and/or in vivo release characteristics.

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